

IV. Remarks


As provided above, Applicants elect the species of Figures 1-3. Claims 1-21 and 23 are readable on the elected species. Claims 1-21 and 23 are considered generic.

Claims 1-23 were originally filed in the present application. Applicants do not present amend, cancel, or add any claims. Consequently, claims 1-23 remain pending in the present application.

Reconsideration of this application in light of the above election is respectfully requested.

It is believed that all matters set forth in the Office action have been addressed. Favorable consideration and an early indication of the allowability of the claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner deem that an interview with Applicants' undersigned attorney would expedite consideration, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,


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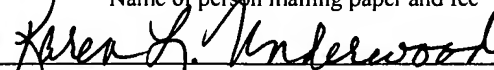
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